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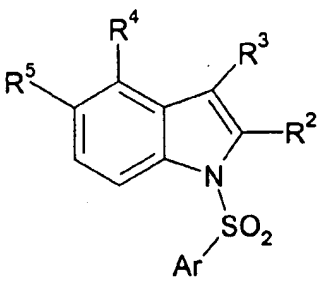

(I)

(57) Abstract: The invention provides 2, 3-, 4- or 5-substituted-N1-(benzensulfonyl)indoles compounds of the general formula (I) in which Ar, R^2, R^3, R^4 and R^5 are as defined in the specification. The said compounds have affinity for the 5-HT_6 receptor and are useful for the treatment and prophylaxis of disorders relating to the said receptor, such as obesity and CNS disorders.

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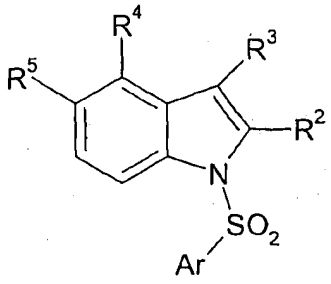
CLAIMS

1. A compound of formula (I):



(I)

wherein

Ar is

(1) phenyl,

(2) naphthyl,

(3) a 5- to 10-membered monocyclic or bicyclic heterocyclic ring having 1 to 4 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of oxygen, sulfur, or nitrogen, or

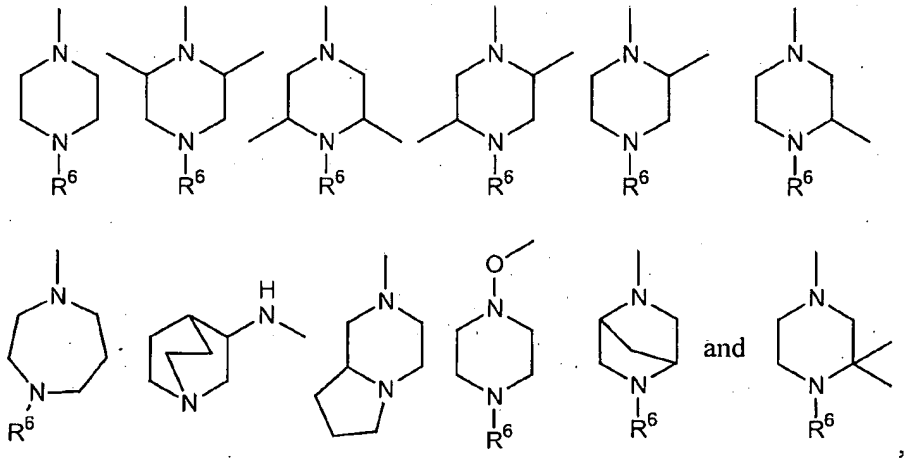
(4) -R^9-phenyl;

wherein each of phenyl, naphthyl, and heterocyclic ring is independently optionally substituted with halogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, CF_3, hydroxyl, C_{1-6} alkoxyl, OCF_3, $COCF_3$, CN, NO_2, phenyloxy, phenyl, C_{1-6} alkylsulfonyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl, -NR^7R^8, C_{1-6} alkylcarboxyl, formyl, -C_{1-6} alkyl-NH-CO-phenyl, -C_{1-6} alkyl-CO-NH-phenyl, -NH-CO-C_{1-6} alkyl, -CO-NR^7R^8, or SR^7; wherein each of R^7 and R^8 is independently H or C_{1-6} alkyl; and R^9 is C_{1-6} alkyl or C_{2-6} alkenyl, each of which being optionally substituted with phenyl or phenyloxy;

R^2 is H, phenyl, I, or C_{1-6} alkyl;

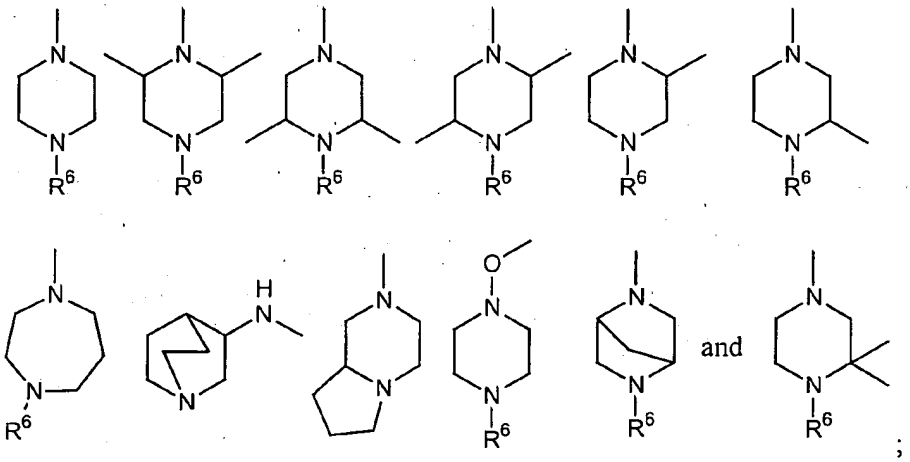
R^3 is H or 3-(1-azabicyclo[2.2.2]oct-2-en)yl;

R^4 is H or a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of:



wherein R^6 is H, C_{1-6} alkyl, or benzyl; and

R^5 is H, hydroxy, C_{1-3} alkoxy, F, NO_2, CF_3, OCF_3, or a heterocyclic ring selected from the group consisting of:



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or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, hydrate, or stereoisomer thereof,

with the proviso that when R^2 is alkyl, R^4 is not H.

2. A compound according to claim 1, wherein

Ar is

(1) phenyl,

(2) 1-naphthyl or 2-naphthyl,

(3) a 5- to 10-membered monocyclic or bicyclic heterocyclic ring having 1 to 4 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of oxygen, sulfur, or nitrogen, or

(4) -R^9-phenyl;

wherein each of phenyl, naphthyl, and heterocyclic ring is independently optionally substituted with F, Cl, Br, C_{1-6} alkyl, CF_3, hydroxyl, C_{1-6} alkoxyl, OCF_3, phenyl, C_{2-6}

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